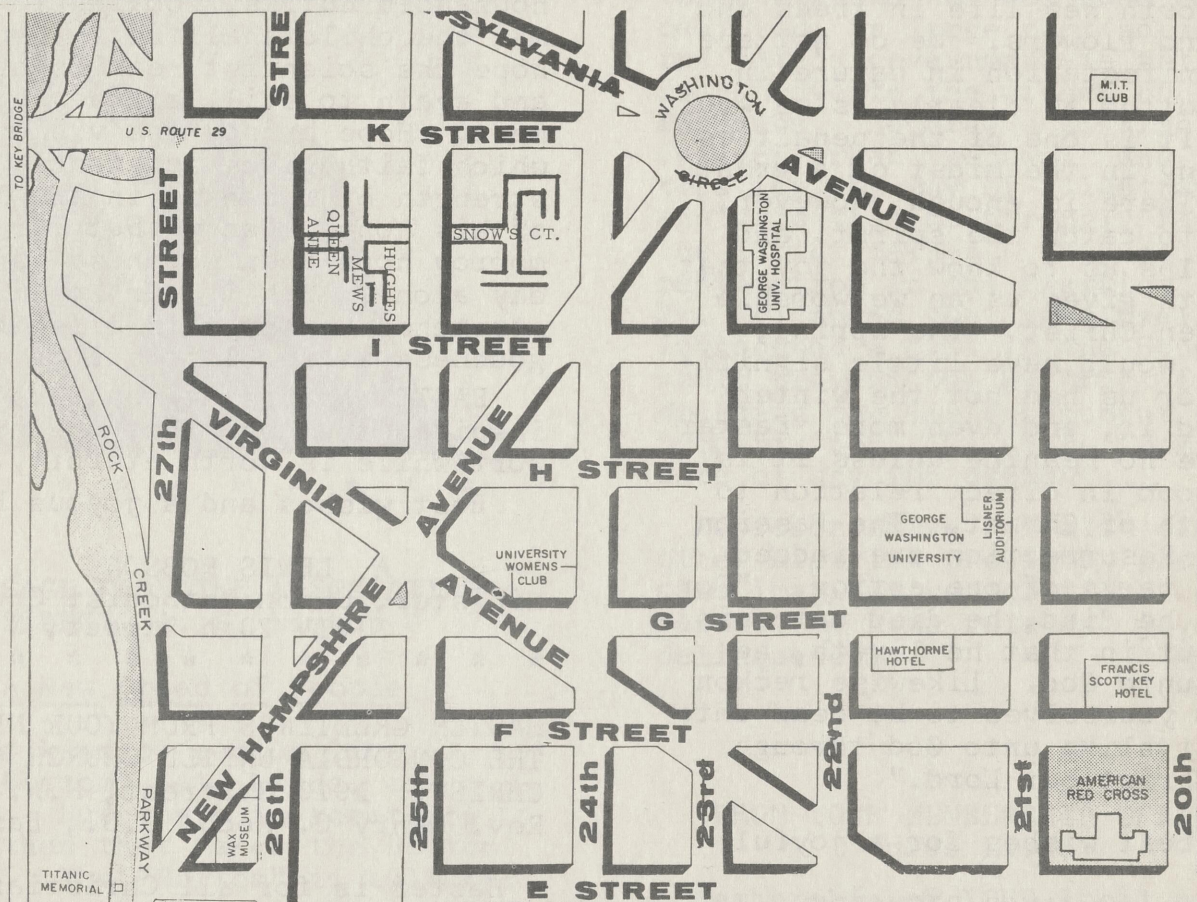


# FOGGY BOTTOM



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## N O T I C E   O F   M E E T I N G

Date: April 29, 1963  
 Place: Pillsbury Hall - St. Paul's Episcopal Church  
 2430 K Street, N. W.  
 Time: 8:00 P.M.  
 Speaker: Dr. Betty Bradford Bloom  
 (BA and MA Columbia U in Landscape Design  
 PhD, England, in Soils Science  
 Washington Radio Program)

Topic: Over the Garden Gate - With special emphasis on plants and techniques for urban gardening - followed by question-and-answer period.

BRING YOUR FRIENDS



# E A S T E R M E S S A G E S

EASTER DAY is a festival that falls most appropriately in the spring because, as the Church proclaims the Resurrection of Christ and that He lives, God's world shows forth new life in trees and grass and flowers. We do not see this manifestation in nature in Foggy Bottom as clearly as we would like. It is one of the penalties of living in the midst of a great city. There is enough, however, for us to catch the spirit, and this helps us to know the joy that our faith gives us as we worship the risen Christ. The spring, indeed, would have little significance for us had not the winter preceded it, and even more, Easter can have no meaning unless it is understood in direct relation to the death of Christ. The Passion and the Resurrection are indeed but two parts of one action. "For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God. Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord."

With best wishes for a joyful  
Easter.

JAMES RICHARDS  
Rector of St. Paul's Parish

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All are most welcome to come to  
St. Stephen's Church at 2436 Penn.  
Ave., N.W., and I extend to all  
A MOST HAPPY AND JOYFUL EASTER!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

RT. REV. JOS. F. DENGES

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Sunday and 12:10 and 12:55, P.M.  
High Masses every day at 6:30 and  
7:30 A.M.

HOPE is the health of the heart. Without hope life lacks lustre and the future fades into vagueness. Hope breeds stamina. By hope a mother endures dull routine of household duties, looking to the man the child shall be. Through hope the scientist returns again and again to still another experiment. Hope brings the vision to which faith gives substance. The strength of a man is in the length of his hope. Can we but for to-morrow hope then goodness is for to-day alone. But if our hope stretches beyond this life then goodness is for life's long trail.

EASTER brings eternal hope. It inspires the hope that whatever is worthwhile is worth eternity.

Best wishes and a joyous Easter.

A. LEWIS ROBSON  
Minister, Union Methodist Church  
814 20th Street, N.W.  
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EASTER GREETINGS FROM YOUR NEIGHBOR,  
THE CONCORDIA UNITED CHURCH OF  
CHRIST. 1920 G Street, N.W.  
Rev. Henry C. Koch, D.D., Pastor

Easter is for all Christians the most important and triumphant season of the year. It brings a spirit of victory, renewal and hope. The dead of winter is giving way to life of Spring. As in nature, so in life.

The early Christians greeted each other in the name of the risen Christ. To a dejected world this was a source of refreshing confidence. It is this same greeting we wish to extend to our neighbors in Foggy Bottom. A warm welcome awaits all who would worship with us. The service is at 11:00 A.M.

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The D. C. Public Library provides a mobile unit on Monday evenings at  
New Hampshire Ave. at Washington Circle.





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MESSAGE FROM THE ASSOCIATION's  
PRESIDENT, A. E. Wiskup

### A New Breed of People

What kind of people live in Foggy Bottom? All kinds, of course. But there is something about them that makes the Bottom unique. The "Bottom" is cultured but not snobby; sophisticated but friendly; widely travelled but not patronizing; proud of the Nation's Capital but cognizant of the need for improvement; its people wish to live in the city but appreciate nature--in short, a new breed of people determined to make city living worthwhile.

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Please send to Rufus Lisle,  
Membership Chairman, 2525 Eye St., N.W.

THE HONORABLE JOHN HENRY KYL, Representative from Iowa, addressed the Association's meeting on March 25, 1963. More than 80 people were present.

Representative Kyl stated that Washington is a city of great potential which has not been fully realized, in large part because the city's government is not made responsive to the wishes of its citizens. He drew a distinction between urban "renewal" and "restoration" by way of illustration and said that he strongly favored the latter method. To encourage restoration in the District, Mr. Kyl noted that he himself had introduced a bill in the House which would prevent the District from increasing the tax assessment on property for five years from the date of any improvements.

Representative Kyl also discussed other District problems, proposing some imaginative solutions with respect to home rule and juvenile delinquency.

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FROM YOUR MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN  
Rufus Lisle

Membership of YOUR local citizens' association continues to grow. Are you a member? Join your neighbors and participate in Foggy Bottom community affairs. Membership dues now only \$2.50 per household (owners), \$1.50 per household (renters), for balance of this year which ends July 1, 1963.

Your support is urgently needed for our Association to be really effective in getting neighborhood improvements, promoting the interests of all who live in Foggy Bottom, speaking for us to city, governmental and congressional committees.

GIVE US YOUR ACTIVE SUPPORT--and enjoy Foggy Bottom More!



COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership - Chairman, Rufus Lisle  
Our plans are to collect as many memberships as we can. Our biggest impetus can be the achievements of the Public Service Committee (new trees, new sidewalks, parks, etc.).

Notices will be distributed well in advance of meetings. We shall continue to contact people for membership.

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Public Relations, Chairman,  
Dorothy Brewer

This committee has issued this "News" including advertisements. Your chairman will be accompanying a group of GWU Alumni on a European tour which she is busy organizing, and will turn the next issues of the paper over to LCDR Evelyn Larson who lives at the Potomac Plaza, telephone no. 338-9234. Mrs. June Wood will assist and may be reached after 8 p.m. at home at telephone no. 338-8096. Please cooperate with them by calling in your news and committee reports as early as possible. There will be an issue about the middle of June.

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A meeting of the committee was held at the Chairman's home on April 9. Plans were developed for meetings and two social events through August 1963, depending on membership interests in meetings during the month of June, July, and August. A vote will be taken on this at the April 29 meeting. If the majority of the membership wishes to continue the meetings, an announcement of planned subjects and events will be made by the Program Committee Chairman.

Pending such an announcement, those members who are interested in showing their houses and/or gardens for a Foggy Bottom House and Garden Tour are asked to telephone Mrs. William Everett after 5 p.m., Monday through Friday at 338-2829. The committee is also interested in suggested dates for such a tour.

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## HEARD IN THE BOTTOM

Spring is definitely here. The Bob Greens of 828 New Hampshire Avenue have a new arrival, 8 lbs 5 oz. of it - a boy, by name Peter Seth. Congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Scoyoe of the 925 Apartments just recently returned from a several weeks' trip to the Pacific Northwest.

## SEEN IN THE BOTTOM

The tulip beds in full bloom in the small triangle opposite Potomac Plaza across Virginia Avenue. Is it a city, Plaza, or community project?

Good idea for other triangles owned by the public when the Gas Company finishes their digging.

Pink Cherry trees in bloom in front of the AAUW Building--blessed with an abundance of sunshine this spring.

In contrast, the ruins on the corner of 25th and Virginia. Some individuals have availed themselves of the good rich soil from this location soon to be hauled away.

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Mrs. Dorothy Sampson at 950 25th Street, Telephone FE 3-9569, takes care of dogs by the day or while their owners are away for longer periods.

## HUGHES MUSINGS

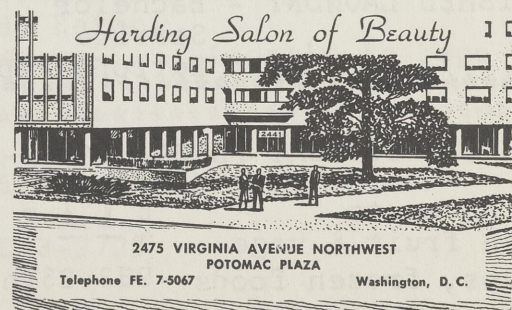
All the faces of houses in Hughes Mews have received bright-colored paint to greet the spring. Painter-Carpenter John Gillispie allowed his imagination to run wild as he splashed pink and white, slate and green, buff and deep blue across the fronts of the several row houses. By the way, John helped restore, renovate, or build all of these houses in the Mews, besides 30 or 40 others in Foggy Bottom. He knows more about the houses than many of their owners do. If you need a paint or repair job, call John, RA 3-8648.

Most recent arrivals in the Mews are Richard A. Bartl and James Burkhardt, who rented the Vel Rud house, number 911. When Vel moved into her new co-op apartment in Potomac Plaza Terraces last year she sold her house in the Mews to Benita Belden, herself a pioneer owner at the far end of the row. The first of Benita's renters vacated recently and Bartl & Burkhardt, both government attorneys, moved in.

Jenny and Jay Goldstein, formerly of number 915 now living nearby on 25th street, had sad news a few months ago when Beebe, their grizzled and dearly beloved Griffin, a mite of a dog, passed away, apparently of old age. Now a frisky pup named Rufus is creeping into their hearts.

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## HUGHES MUSINGS (cont'd)

Rufus is a pint-size Cain Terrier. Oliver, the Goldstein cat, has finally accepted Rufus, though at first he sniffed and puffed away every time the pup came near. Oliver, by the way, is accounted a Silver Tabby who could take blue ribbons in cat shows, but so far he hasn't been shown. He does show up at most of the houses in the Mews almost daily to visit and ask for a piece of chicken, his favorite meat.

The Detlev Preisler children, Karen and Erik, are the most envied kids in the Mews since their father built a real tree house for them in their patio last month. Detlev is an architect and builder. He built the house that is the family home, which faces on 26th Street. Their patio faces on the Mews.

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The above was submitted by  
Charles E. Rogers, 917 Hughes  
Mews.

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FAMOUS NAMES AND LEGENDS OF  
FOGGY BOTTOM

This old part of town is changing so rapidly that all the familiar spirits of the place must be as disturbed as are our small householders and searchers for parking places. For Foggy Bottom has its share of famous inhabitants and legendary spirits.

One of the sad but charming legends of our neighborhood concerns a British drummer boy lost overboard from a small boat as British troops were being ferried across the Potomac in 1755 from Alexandria to "Braddock's Landing." General Braddock is said to have come ashore in the vicinity of 22nd or 23rd Street (the Potomac then was much closer to the foot of the incline below F Street). The story is that Braddock's men were enroute to join George Washington for the famous but ill-fated expedition against the French and Indians at Fort Duquesne (now Pittsburgh). The body of the little drummer boy was never found, so the legend goes. On stormy nights, old inhabitants will tell you, his drum can still be heard, beating the pas de charge. Some night when you are down around the Lincoln Memorial, listen hard and maybe you can verify this legend.

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## FAMOUS NAMES AND LEGENDS OF FOGGY BOTTOM (cont'd)

Many noted persons have lived in our Foggy Bottom, which includes the old settlement called Hamburg, established in 1768 long before the city of Washington was even a dream of L'Enfant and George Washington.

Some of the happier days of one of America's talented but troubled souls were spent along the now noisily collegiate block of G Street between 20th and 21st Streets. Where The George Washington University Library now stands, Henry Adams, grandson of John Quincy Adams, had bachelor quarters during the winter of 1869-70. Adams' book, The Letters of Henry Adams, mentions this home at 2017 G Street, from whence he travelled about the upper reaches of the political and social life of Washington in his day. During this period, Henry Adams, who became known as an historian, apparently learned to love Washington. He later made it his permanent residence and gave it one of the country's great art treasures, the Saint Gaudens bronze monument "Grief," erected in Rock Creek Cemetery to the memory of his wife.

The same block of G Street was indirectly involved with the events surrounding Lincoln's assassination through the person of a distinguished physician, Dr. John Frederick May, who lived at 2020 G Street. Dr. May had once performed an operation on the neck of John Wilkes Booth. After Booth's fiery death in a barn in Southern Maryland, Dr. May was called on to identify the assassin, a task he was able to

perform because of the tell-tale scar.

A bright and restless soul familiar with our neighborhood as it was in the early days, was Peggy O'Neale Eaton, the "gorgeous Hussy" who was the center of a political and social imbroglio that racked President Jackson's administration. The fogginess of the exact geographic location of Foggy Bottom will, I think, permit us to claim the beauteous Peggy as one of our own.

Peggy was the daughter of a saloon-keeper, William O'Neale, who for many years had a tavern in the 2100 block of Pennsylvania Avenue. Around 1812, Peggy's father built one of the city's earliest hostelrys, the Franklin Hotel, at the corner of I Street and 21st Street. It was during their frequent stays at this hotel that Andrew Jackson and Senator Eaton, who was to become Jackson's Secretary of War, met the beautiful and romantic girl whom Eaton afterward married. Jackson defended Eaton and Peggy against the ostracism of Washington's grande dames, led by Mrs. John C. Calhoun. The social friction became a major political issue that led to Jackson's break with his official Cabinet and his resort to the famous "Kitchen Cabinet" of pro-Peggy advisors and cronies--an action that had national political repercussions.

The storms generated by refusal of the proper ladies of Jackson's administrative family to accept Peggy O'Neal must have reached many a climax in the house formerly at 2007 I Street, where Peggy lived for several years following her marriage to the Hon. John H. Eaton.

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M E L L O N A S

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FOGGY BOTTOM'S OLDEST NEIGHBORHOOD

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## FAMOUS NAMES AND LEGENDS (cont'd)

Somehow I like to think that the tempetuous and lovely Peggy, who earned a footnote in American history because of her beauty, is still waging her war against stuffiness up and down the streets of Foggy Bottom.

Submitted by

Mary Manzoli  
730 24th Street, N.W.

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REMEMBER THE DATE AND TIME OF OUR  
NEXT MEETING --

April 29 - Monday - 8:00 p.m.

Pillsbury Hall, St. Pauls Episcopal Church, 2430 K St., N.W.

Program --

8:00 p.m. - Opening remarks by  
President

Minutes

Treasurer's Report

Committee Reports

Old Business

New Business

9:00 p.m. Speaker

9:45 Question period

10:00 Coffee

Dr. Bloom promises a very informative talk on the city garden.

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This paper was issued by the editorial group of the Public Relations Committee: Dorothy Z. Brewer, Evelyn Larson, Pat Patterson, Mrs. Alexander, and Mrs. Glendening.

## EASTER MESSAGES (cont'd)

The Miracle of Easter is the most sublime and promising fact of all world events. It lifts from our souls the burden of sin and guilt with its fears and accusations. It gives hope to the burden pilgrims of life to eternity. It fills the hearts of Christians with courage as they face the trials, tragedies and tribulations of living. It empowers us to go on through the Valley of the shadow of death, to dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Yes, this is the true joy of Easter and the central note of our Christian religion. May we let the message permeate our lives so as to bring a more profound faith in the hearts and minds of men everywhere.

Wishing for all a Happy Easter Season.

The Rev. Charles E. Miller  
Rector of St. Mary's  
Episcopal Church  
728 - 23rd Street, N.W.

Services are: 7:30 A.M.  
Holy Communion each Sunday  
11:00 A.M. Holy Communion on the  
1st and 3rd Sundays and Morning  
Prayer and Sermon on the 2d and  
4th Sundays. Church of the Community, all are welcome and most cordially invited.

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Any member proposing new business please call Bob Green - FE 3-4149 or A. Wiskup, FE 3-3742, several days in advance.